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Dear Sir I have lately been to  
Eastport Robbinston & Lubec  
I did not learn that any dissa-  
tisfaction or alarm was excited  
by not reappointing Genl Cooper  
as Sheriff of this County, - appa-  
rent to be satisfied with Doct Ba-  
ble for Sheriff & for Mr Dickerson  
for Judge of Probate.

I send your much esteemed favour  
of 28th ult <sup>day</sup> ~~and~~ that the Subject  
of the Controversy in my Letter  
to you would be alluded to when  
the Council meet & your perm-  
ission for me to communicate  
freely to you - for which I assure  
me - permit me to return you  
my sincere Thanks, & in the  
Nominations of men for appoi-  
ntments in the District which  
I Represent I select those to whom  
I could place Confidence in  
to discharge the Duties of the office  
& by the recommendation of my  
Friends & the friends of those who



even in favour of shaking off the  
 Shackles of the old State & setting  
 us free - and I feel my self as  
 pledged to support the ~~Constitution~~  
 & the terms of the State of Maine  
 and all measures adopted for  
 her welfare by the officers  
 of the Government. I have firm-  
 ly believed for some years that  
 it would be for Interest of Maine  
 to be a separate Government.  
 I have not seen any thing to alter  
 my opinion but my belief is  
 unchanged that it ~~is~~ but it should be  
 so in this belief I am opposed  
 by the Citizens of this Town - they  
 ever violently opposed to Separation.  
 James Bailey kept my self was the  
 only advocate for it in Columbia,  
 in the list of Nominations I sent  
 you, I omitted Ich<sup>d</sup> Thompson &  
 Holmes Nash who had come as  
 Justices of Peace & David Warr for Coro-  
 -ner in my district. I felt Whitney sign  
 by his request that his Brother Abel  
 might be appointed a Justice the  
 Coroner is nearly seventy years old  
 & Mr & Mrs Bullen & Nash  
 were strongly opposed to Separation



a List of Names for office for  
the District of Columbia  
Jonesboro & Alderson in the  
County of Washington  
James Bailey <sup>of Columbia</sup> Peace & Honor  
Dent Look Jr of Alderson for P & H

Ansil Tupper  
Thos Lammun } of Jonesborough  
Abel Whitney } Justice  
Wm Norton of Alderson D.  
Alex Martin & Saml Dreike of  
Columbia for Coroners  
Wm Nash of Alderson D.  
Ichabod Farnsworth of Jonesboro

Mrs Bailey & Look, Commissioners  
under the old State have expired  
if appointed again, had ought to be  
sent on soon, to be the first <sup>appointments</sup> made.  
The above named persons I consider  
are suitable persons to be appointed  
to the several offices above named &  
I hold myself responsible for their  
good conduct. Th Ruggles Representative  
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and I tried to throw every obstacle  
in the way of the friend succeeding  
in bringing it about. — I do  
think they had not ought to be  
common and a new until at  
least there <sup>are</sup> signs of their being  
recommitted to the new Government  
and to speak more Respectful of  
it than what they have done.  
I will enclose a list of the names  
again that you may have them  
before you to nominate to the Co  
uncil if you see fit &  
and I beg you will pardon me  
for intruding this long letter  
on your Pardon. —  
and believe me Sir to be your  
friend & Humble Servant

Thomas Ruggles



Thomas Carlyle - 3  
Decem. 1840

From the Recd. of Mr.

Mrs. E. M. Williams, King  
Governor of the same

Edith ~~Williams~~  
Mrs.